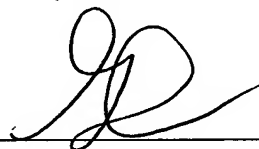


REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the cancellation of claims 1-5 and new claims 6-10 be entered prior to examination. Reference characters have been retained in the claims but have no effect on claim scope (MPEP 608.01(m)). An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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